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VEHICLE ACTIVITY
ROUTE 15, NORTH VIETNAM
1816N 10540E

COLLATERAL:

COLLATERAL REPORTS THAT NORTH VIETNAM ROUTE 15, AND ROUTE 12, ITS EXTENSION IN LAOS TO THE JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 23, IS THE BEGINNING OF THE SUPPLY ROUTE FOR TROOPS IN SOUTHERN LAOS. THIS 82-MILE ROUTE HAS A SURFACE OF IMPROVED EARTH AND GRAVEL, GENERALLY IN FAIR CONDITION. SURFACE WIDTHS VARY FROM TWELVE TO TWENTY FEET. OFF-ROAD DISPERSAL AND MOVEMENT ARE AFFECTED BY FLOODS IN THE LOWLANDS AND BY LANDSLIDES AND DENSE FORESTS IN THE MOUNTAIN AREAS.

PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] REVEALED A HIGH LEVEL OF VEHICULAR ACTIVITY ON ROUTE 15. AT LEAST SIXTY-EIGHT VEHICLES, SOME CAMOUFLAGED, WERE OBSERVED ON OR NEAR ROUTE 15 BETWEEN 1820N 10550E AND 1750N 10547E.

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MISSION READOUT:

[REDACTED] REVEALS VEHICULAR ACTIVITY ON NORTH VIETNAM ROUTE 15 NEAR THE TOWN OF SA LONG (1816N 10540E). FIFTEEN TRUCKS, PARTIALLY CONCEALED ALONG THE ROAD BANK, ARE OBSERVED TO BE HEADING SOUTH.

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CONVOY OF 15 TRUCKS

ROUTE 15

10X ENLARGEMENT
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